

JANUARY PEI MONTHLY CALL UPDATES

- **Grants for the Integration of Schools and Mental Health Systems**
<http://www.ed.gov/programs/mentalhealth/applicant.html>

The Grants program for the Integration of Schools and Mental Health Systems provides funds "to increase student access to high-quality mental health care by developing innovative approaches that link school systems with the local mental health system." (from the Federal Register: December 7, 2007 [CFDA# 84.215M])

- **National Network to Eliminate Disparities**

The **National Network for Eliminating Disparities (NNED)** is a new effort supported and recently launched by Federal Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The goal of NNED is to provide an on line national technical support network to provide resources nationally to individuals and program staff seeking strategies and resources to address the reduction and elimination of mental health disparities. Efforts are underway to unveil and launch a virtual work space that will include discussion rooms and other resources. The website is expected to be available in the next two months.

If you are interested in more information about the NNED, please e-mail your e-mail address to respiritu@changematrix.org to get on the distribution list and you will get monthly updates of the NNED. Thank you for your interest. If you have more questions regarding the NNED you can email Rachel Guerrero at rachel.guerrero@dmh.ca.gov .